

Octavio Paz



Paz was born in 1914 near Mexico City, into a prominent family with ties to Mexico's political, cultural, and military elite. Often nominated for the Nobel Prize in his lifetime, Mexican author Octavio Paz enjoyed a worldwide reputation as a master poet and essayist. One aspect of Paz's work often mentioned by critics is his tendency to maintain elements of prose—most commonly philosophical thought—in his poetry, and poetic elements in his prose.